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Craig Jennings graduated from the University of Arizona with a B.S. in Public Administration. He graduated from Arizona State University Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law. During law school, he worked at the Arizona Department of Corrections in the Parole/Community Supervision Division before joining the Maricopa County Attorney's Office. Craig worked in the Vehicular Crimes Bureau and the Gang/ROP Bureau. After leaving the County Attorney's Office, Craig became the Surprise City Prosecutor. While in Surprise, he was active with Teen Court. Craig left the Surprise City Prosecutor's Office when he was appointed the Presiding Judge for the Avondale City Court.

Craig has been an educational facilitator on DUI/Traffic issues, Search and Seizure issues, and Evidence at the Arizona Judicial Conference, New Judge Orientation, at the Arizona Justice of the Peace Association Annual Conferences, Civil Traffic Hearing Officer Training, and at the G.O.H.S. Judicial DUI and Traffic Conference. He was a member of the Planning Committee for the 2016 G.O.H.S. Judicial DUI and Traffic Conference and the 2018 - 2021 Judicial Conferences. Craig is also a member of the Judicial College of Arizona and was named Associate Dean in February 2019. Craig volunteers his time trying to help young people and improving the quality of life for those in the west valley. Craig enjoys spending time with his wife and three very active children.

Diane M. Johnsen

Retired Judge Diane Johnsen grew up in Arizona's Copper Basin. She graduated in journalism from the University of Arizona, then spent five years as a reporter and editor at the Arizona Daily Star. After graduating from Stanford Law School, she clerked for Judge Ben Duniway on the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. She practiced with Munger Tolles & Olson in Los Angeles before returning to Arizona in 1985 to join the firm now known as Osborn Maledon, where her practice included media law, contract and tort matters and environmental litigation. Governor Napolitano appointed her to Division One of the Court of Appeals in 2006. She served as that court's Chief Judge, chaired the Phoenix Judicial Selection Advisory Board and was a member of the Arizona Commission on Judicial Conduct. She earned a Master's of Judicial Studies from Duke University and is a member of the American Law Institute. She stepped down from the bench in February 2020 and now works part-time as Division One's Special Projects Attorney and is a volunteer Court Appointed Special Advocate in Maricopa County. In 2020 she was awarded the State Bar's James A. Walsh Outstanding Jurist Award and was named the Arizona Supreme Court's Judge of the Year.

KELLIE JOHNSON is a judge on the Pima County Superior Court currently assigned to the civil bench. Governor Ducey appointed her to bench June of 2017. She graduated *cum laude* from the University of Arizona School of Law in 1996, and joined the Pima County Attorney's Office as a trial prosecutor in 1997. During her career as a prosecutor, she tried over 150 jury trials, and received awards at both the State and national level for her trial advocacy. In 2015, she was the recipient of the Arizona State Bar's Michael C Cudahy Criminal Justice Award.

Judge Johnson currently serves on numerous Arizona Supreme Court committees including the Advisory Committee on the Rules of Evidence, the Capital Case Oversight Committee, the Commission on Victims in the Courts, and the Judicial College of Arizona.

BIOGRAPHY OF DANIEL A. JOHNSON

Daniel A. Johnson has been the Executive Director of the Wellness Council of Arizona for more than twenty five years. The Council helps to coordinate wellness programs for over 250,000 employees. As a health promotion specialist, Dan has been successful in the area of motivating human change. He has owned and operated 20 athletic/fitness centers throughout the Southwest. He has written, produced and appeared in over 100 radio and television campaigns promoting fitness and quality of life. Dan has been a personal fitness trainer having worked with cardiac recovery patients along with advanced athletes and general populations.

Dan Johnson has presented trainings for the Arizona Supreme Court along with Superior and Justice Court Judges over the past few years. He presented at the June 2016 Supreme Court Judicial Conference offering “The Only Thing That’s Permanent is Change: Solutions to Stress.” He also presented “Eating for More Energy & Less Stress” along with “Take a Breath Break” in March 2016 for the Probation Officer and Staff Training. In 2017 and 2018 Dan spoke in Court staff trainings in Pima, Mohave & Pinal Counties.

Dan is the originator of “STRIVE” motivational programs, which focus on human dynamics and personal potential. “STRIVE” has been presented for major corporations such as IBM, Raytheon and Farah Clothing along with over 5,000 youth. Dan is a guest motivational speaker at Canyon Ranch Health Resort presenting “Discovering the Gift that is You!” and “Health & Happiness are in Your Hands.” Dan specializes in the areas of motivation and inspiration. He has spoken at over 200 different corporations along with numerous conferences and retreats. Dan has been a professional athlete having held national sponsorships as a racquetball player. Wilson Sporting Goods and Ektelon Racquet Sports were two of his sponsors.

As part of Dan’s community involvement, he has worked with Senior Olympics, spoken with many civic groups, and has served as Training Chairman of the Explorer Boy Scouts of the Catalina Council. Dan served as a member of the Wellness Councils of America’s Board of Directors for three years. Dan has served on the Southern Arizona Advisory Board for the American Diabetes Association, the Arizona Governor’s Council on Physical Fitness, Sports and Health along with the advisory board for the Arizona Department of Health Services’ “Healthy Arizona 2010”. Dan serves on the Leadership Council of the Arizona Living Well Institute, the Arizona Diabetes Program Leadership Council and the YMCA Diabetes Coalition. In 2003, the National Partnership for Wellness was formed and Dan became the President. The Partnership is dedicated to advancing health promotion through collaborations in worksites and communities for individuals and their families.



Frankie Jones

Judge, Phoenix Municipal Court

Frankie Jones was appointed in 2020 to the Phoenix Municipal Court.

Frankie Jones graduated from Creighton University College of Arts and Sciences with a Bachelor of Arts in 1990 where she majored in Political Science and minored in Business. In 1993, she earned her Juris Doctorate from Creighton University School of Law. In 1994 she was admitted to the State Bar of Arizona.

Prior to being appointed to the bench, Judge Jones was a deputy legal defender at the Office of the Legal Defender's Office, Maricopa County. From 1998-2019, she had been a deputy county attorney at the Maricopa County Attorney's Office. While there she was assigned to various bureaus, which included the Preliminary Hearing Bureau, the Drug Enforcement, Trial Group, Charging/Grand Jury, Special Crimes, and Appeals. For twelve years Frankie Jones served as Bureau Chief of the Probation Violation Bureau and later the Justice Court West Bureau.

Prior to coming to the Maricopa County Attorney's Office, Frankie was an associate at Stender and Larkin practicing immigration, family, and criminal law, and worked at the Arizona Department of Revenue practicing tax law.

Judge Jones has been a member of Commission on Diversity, Equality, and Justice (formerly the Commission on Minorities in the Judiciary) since 2011 and has been the current chairperson since 2017. She is also a current member on the Committee on Examinations. Judge Jones has served as the chairperson on the State Bar of Arizona Unauthorized Practice of Law (UPL) and was an active member of the Conflict Case Committee (now the Independent Bar Counsel Attorney Panel) and as well as the Peer Review Committee. In 2017, Frankie served on the Task Force on Lawyer Ethics.

Since 2005, she has been an active member of the Arizona Black Bar since. She served as secretary and continues to be a member of the Hayzel B. Daniels Scholarship Committee.

PAUL JULIEN, ESQ., Judicial Education Officer for the Arizona Supreme Court, works with judges throughout the state in all phases of educational and professional development. He also serves as a judge *pro tempore* in courts throughout Arizona. Judge Julien practiced law for 17 years, managed Southern Arizona Legal Aid, and consulted with the Legal Services Corporation. Prior to his legal career, he taught at Northern Arizona University and in the Flagstaff Public Schools. He earned a J.D. from The University of Arizona; Ed.D. and M.A. at Northern Arizona University; and a B.S. from the University of Utah.

Judge Julien has served in volunteer leadership roles with the Arizona Board of Regents, Catalina Foothills School Board, and the Governor's Commission to Stop Domestic Violence, American Diabetes Association, and Grand Canyon Association. In addition he chairs the State Bar Professionalism Committee, was President of the

Pima County Bar Association, and provided years of service to state and local bar associations. Honors include the Arizona Supreme Court's *Administration of Justice Award*, University of Arizona *Distinguished Citizen Award*, and the State Bar of Arizona Law-Related *Education Award*.

Judge Joseph Kreamer is the Maricopa County Associate Presiding Judge and Presiding Juvenile Court Judge. He was appointed to the Bench in June, 2007. He previously had civil, criminal, family, and juvenile court assignments. He was the criminal department's Associate Presiding Judge, the family department's Associate Presiding Judge, and the Presiding Judge for the Northeast Courthouse in Phoenix.

Judge Kreamer grew up in Tucson and attended the University of Arizona for both undergraduate and law school. Prior to joining the Bench, he was a civil trial lawyer at Snell & Wilmer in Phoenix for seven years, then a partner in the firm of Hopkins & Kreamer for ten. His practice concentrated on personal injury and commercial litigation.

Judge Kreamer has been actively involved in numerous boards, committees and task forces, focusing on access to justice issues. He is currently a Board Member and was previously the President of the Board of the Arizona Foundation for Legal Services and Education (the Bar Foundation). He is a member of the Arizona Commission on Access to Justice, chairing the Judicial and Attorney Engagement Workgroup. He is a member of the Judicial Conduct Commission and is the immediate past Chair of the statewide Judicial Ethics Advisory Committee. He serves on the Committee on Superior Court and is a member of the Supreme Court's Juvenile Rules Task Force. He is the former co-chair of the statewide General Jurisdiction New Judge Orientation program. He is a member of the City of Avondale's Judicial Selection Advisory Committee, and was formerly a member of the City of Surprise's Judicial Selection Committee. Judge Kreamer also routinely presents to both judicial officers and attorneys on a variety of topics.

JUDGE ROB KROMBEEN



Judge Rob Krombeen was elected to the office of Justice of the Peace for the Williams Precinct of Coconino County in 2010 and was appointed as Magistrate for the City of Williams and Town of Tusayan.

Prior to taking office, Judge Krombeen retired after a 23-year law enforcement career with the Williams Police Department and as a Security Specialist with the United States Air Force. His greatest sense of achievement during that career was the ability to serve the public and have the opportunity to make a positive difference in people's lives, particularly those experiencing difficult personal challenges.

Judge Krombeen served on the Arizona Supreme Court's Security Standards Committee in 2015-2016, Chairs the Coconino County Security and Emergency Preparedness Committee (SEPC), and is Presiding Justice of the Peace for Coconino County. Judge Krombeen serves as training faculty with the Arizona Justice of the Peace, Arizona Magistrates, and National Judges Associations.

Judge Krombeen is a graduate of the Verbal Judo Institute and an instructor with Vistelar, teaching Verbal Defense and Influence skills to staff and members of the judiciary. Judge Krombeen holds the rank of 1st Kyu (Brown belt) with the United States Judo Association. He believes and teaches that whether involved in verbal or physical conflict, a person can defeat a much stronger opponent by "giving way" to greater verbal or physical strength. By using timing and skill, a person can then disarm the words or actions of an opponent to resolve conflict. These skills can be used by even the softest spoken or physically smallest people to become "gentle giants" in the world of verbal and physical conflict.

Judge Krombeen enjoys spending time with his wife and family, especially time spent together in remote parts of our great state. He is especially thankful for his three grown children and eight grandchildren, and for the lives they live. Their character continues to give Judge Krombeen hope for the future.

Jerry G. Landau

Jerry Landau is a Senior Consultant to the Arizona Supreme Court, Administrative Office of the Courts and serves as a Judge Pro-Tempore in Superior and Justice of the Peace Courts. Prior to his position, Jerry, for 16 years, was the Government Affairs Director.

Jerry has served on several Arizona state legislative committees, including commissions on sentencing and DUI. He participated in writing many of Arizona's criminal, juvenile and vehicle criminal laws and testified in front of Arizona and Nevada Legislative committees. Jerry also chaired and served on several Supreme Court task forces and committees.

Jerry was instrumental in initially bringing the program, Law Justice and the Holocaust presented by the United States Holocaust Museum to Arizona Judges. This program providing a review of the history of the courts during the time of Nazi Germany and sparking discussion on lessons learned and relevance to today is nationally renowned.

Jerry is a former chair of the National Safety Council, Division on Alcohol, Drugs and Impairment, having been a member since 1991. He for many years sat on the Division Board of Directors and was Chair of the Legal Factors Section. He is a member of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Jurisprudence Section and a member and Past President of the Horace Rumpole Inn of Court.

Jerry is a fellow of the Federation of State Medical Boards, having just completed three years as Treasurer and three years as a Director. He also served on the Nominations Committee and chaired the Federation's Audit, By-Laws, Finance and Governance committees. He is a member and past -president of Arizona Board of Osteopathic Physicians.

Jerry authored a chapter of the book *Medical-Legal Aspects of Alcohol* and written articles on DUI law for the *Arizona State Bar Journal* and the *Maricopa County Lawyer* and on legislation for the *Arizona Law Journal* and the *Arizona Attorney*.

Jerry has participated in various projects and schools for the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, the American Bar Association, National District Attorneys' Association and Mothers Against Drunk Driving. He has lectured and provided training for the Arizona Supreme Court, Arizona State Bar, Maricopa County Bar Association, Scottsdale Bar Association, Arizona Justice of the Peace Association, Arizona Magistrates Association, Sandra Day O'Connor Arizona State University School of Law, University of California, Davis School of Law, Arizona Prosecuting Attorney's Advisory Council, Police Officers Standards and Training Board, the Governor's Office of Highway Safety and Arizona State and Grand Canyon Universities. He has lectured on various subjects to judges and prosecutors in fifteen states.

Jerry previously sat on State Bar Ethics, Criminal Rules Committees and Unauthorized Practice of Law Committees and is a member of the Scottsdale Bar Association. Jerry is the Supreme Court Representative to the Arizona Prosecuting Attorney's Association and is a member of the Rules and Personnel Committees. He is the recipient of the Arizona Supreme Court Administration of Justice Award, Arizona Prosecuting Attorneys Association Lifetime Achievement Award and was a National Highway Traffic Safety Administration trainer of the year.

Jerry and his wife are part owners of a minor league baseball team, the Hillsboro (Ore.) Hops, an Arizona Diamondback farm team. They have one son, who is Director of Baseball Science for the San Diego Padres.

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Kory Langhofer is the Managing Attorney at Statecraft PLLC, a law firm focusing on government and political law. His practice is concentrated in campaign finance, constitutional litigation, and political matters. He has previously worked as a federal prosecutor, as litigation counsel to the presidential campaigns for Mitt Romney and Donald Trump, and as general counsel for the 2016-2017 presidential transition team.

Kory received his A.B. in political science, *summa cum laude*, from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. He received his J.D. from Yale Law School, where he served as an Editor of *The Yale Law Journal*.

Professional Biography



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Dr. Karen Lisko is the in-house trial consultant for Perkins Coie and a social scientist who specializes in courtroom persuasion. Karen works with attorneys to increase their persuasiveness with factfinders throughout all phases of litigation. Karen draws upon 30 years of research with judges and juries to strategize with legal teams in civil and criminal litigation. Karen holds a doctorate in legal communication, a specialized degree attained by only a few consultants in the nation, and is the author of two books, *Patently Persuasive* and *Proven Jury Arguments and Evidence*. Her doctoral research began a three-decade long study of gender and persuasion inside and outside the courtroom.

She routinely provides litigators with in-depth strategic advice on their oral arguments in hearings and at trial. By developing a deep understanding of the case throughout the jury research process, Dr. Lisko will use that knowledge to advise the trial team on effective case strategy. Most recently, she has advised the Arizona judiciary on best practices for online jury trials and is a founding member of the Online Courtroom Project which is a national group of retired judges, attorneys, and trial consultants studying and advising trial attorneys and judges regarding online hearings, bench trials, and jury trials.

Dr. Lisko has been an invited lecturer at law schools, including teaching a jury persuasion course at Lewis and Clark Law School and as a guest lecturer at: Arizona State University, the University of Colorado-Boulder, and the University of Kansas.

For Verbal Introductions

Dr. Karen Lisko is the in-house trial consultant for Perkins Coie and a social scientist who specializes in courtroom persuasion. She holds a doctorate in legal communication, a tailored degree attained by only a few consultants in the United States and is the author of two books on jury persuasion. Her doctoral research began a three-decade long study of gender and persuasion. In her spare time, she spends time with her three talkative daughters and with her husband who can barely get in a word edgewise.

Marretta K. Mathes, JD

Marretta is a Court Project Specialist VII the Court Services Division of the Arizona Supreme Court. She began her career with the Arizona Judiciary in January 2007 as a supervisor in the Maricopa County Superior Court. In this capacity, she supervised the Self-Service Centers, Family Violence Prevention Centers, and Law Libraries across multiple superior court locations. In May 2010, Marretta began working as an operational review specialist in the Administrative Offices of the Arizona Supreme Court, conducting operational reviews of limited jurisdiction courts. In 2013, Marretta became the Senior Court Operations Specialist, conducting operational reviews and organizational assessments of Arizona's limited jurisdiction courts, organizing workgroups, conducting legal research, collaborating for statewide solution development for particular issues, and reviewing requests for substantial variations of the Arizona Traffic Ticket and Complaint. Marretta also served as the Interim Court Operations Unit Manager for a brief period in 2015. Marretta was appointed temporarily to serve on the time standards project in August 2016, and was appointed permanently in September 2016. Marretta graduated from Arizona State University with a Bachelor's degree in Psychology and a Master's degree in Public Administration. She also earned her JD from the Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law at Arizona State University in May 2016, and passed the July 2016 Bar exam.

Paul J. McMurdie was appointed to the Arizona Court of Appeals, Division One, by Governor Doug Ducey in 2016. Previously, Judge McMurdie spent eleven years on the Maricopa County Superior Court having been appointed to the superior court bench by Governor Janet Napolitano in 2005. While serving as a superior court judge, Judge McMurdie presided over civil, criminal, and family cases. Prior to being appointed to the Court of Appeals, Judge McMurdie was the Presiding Family Court Judge.

Judge McMurdie graduated with a B.A. degree in Political Science from Utah State University in 1982. He received his J.D. from Arizona State University in 1985. While in law school, he was selected for the Truman Young Fellowship as the outstanding criminal law student.

After graduating from ASU, Judge McMurdie worked for the Arizona Attorney General's Office in the Criminal Appeals Section. In 1991, he was appointed as the Section Chief for Criminal Appeals. In 2001, Judge McMurdie began working for the Maricopa County Attorney's Office as the Division Chief for Appeals and Research.

As a lawyer for the Arizona Attorney General's Office and the Maricopa County Attorney's Office, Judge McMurdie received the following awards: Arizona Prosecuting Attorney's Advisory Council's Lifetime Achievement Award (2004); Maricopa County Attorney's Office Division Attorney of the Year Award (2005 and 2003); Arizona Attorney Generals' Criminal Division Attorney of the Year Award (1991); Arizona Prosecuting Attorneys' Advisory Council Prosecutor of the Year Award (1990), Association of Government Attorneys in Capital Litigation Board of Director's Award (2005); and United States Department of Labor Special Recognition Award (1990).

Judge McMurdie served in the following capacity as a lawyer: Family Law Executive Counsel for the State Bar (2015 to 2016); Chair, State Bar Criminal Jury Instructions Committee; Secretary-Treasurer Association of Government Attorneys in Capital Litigation; Co-Chair Joint Legislative/Judicial Study Committee on Post-Conviction Relief; Co-Chair Arizona Supreme Court committee on Reducing Appellate Delay; and the Ninth Circuit Task Force on Capital Cases.

ROBERT J. MCWHIRTER
Certified Specialist in Criminal Law

Robert J. McWhirter is a nationally and internationally known speaker and author on trial advocacy, immigration law, and the history of the bill of rights. He is a frequent guest on *Arizona Horizon* and *KJZZ* as a Constitutional expert and historian. Mr. McWhirter is a Certified Specialist in Criminal Law with the State Bar of Arizona.

Mr. McWhirter has published extensively:

- The American Bar Association has published Mr. McWhirter's book **BILLS, QUILLS, AND STILLS: THE HISTORY OF THE BILL OF RIGHTS** (working title) in 2014.
- The American Bar Association has published his books **THE CRIMINAL LAWYER'S GUIDE TO IMMIGRATION LAW: QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS**, 2nd Ed. 2006 and **THE CITIZENSHIP FLOWCHART**, 2007. In the 2010 United States Supreme Court case of *Padilla v. Kentucky* Justice Alito extensively quoted from his book.
- Mr. McWhirter has served on the American Bar Association Criminal Justice Section and on the Standard Committee writing the **CRIMINAL JUSTICE STANDARDS**.
- Mr. McWhirter has had published over 40 other articles in both English and Spanish on the history of the Bill of Rights, immigration law, and criminal practice.

Mr. McWhirter has international management experience having worked extensively in Latin America on justice reform:

In 2010-2011, Mr. McWhirter served in El Salvador administering an \$11 million USAID project to reform the justice system where he successfully developed and oversaw programs and trainings for the Salvadoran courts, police, and prosecutors.

In 1989 Mr. McWhirter was a visiting professor of law at the Catholic University of Chile and the University of Chile teaching

courses in Spanish on Comparative Criminal Procedure and Free Speech Privacy and the Internet.

Mr. McWhirter has taught trial advocacy in Venezuela, Colombia, Mexico, Nicaragua, Ecuador, Uruguay, Mexico, and El Salvador.

Mr. McWhirter still travels to Latin America, most recently he trained lawyers in Puebla Mexico.

In 2009, Mr. McWhirter was named a Southwest Super Lawyer, a rare instance for a public defender.

Mr. McWhirter is a 2019 Distinguished Alumni Award recipient from Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law.

Mr. McWhirter is a 2016 Distinguished Alumni Award recipient from the Barrett Honors College.

He received the Frank X. Gordon Award for Excellence in the Practice of Law, *Mohave County Bar Association* in 2013 and the Saint Thomas More Award, *Saint Thomas More Society* in 2010.

Mr. McWhirter has been a president of *Arizona Attorney's for Criminal Justice*.

From March 2014 until July 2016, Mr. McWhirter was the supervising criminal attorney at the ASU Alumni Law Group, a teaching law firm serving underserved clients.

Mr. McWhirter currently serves on the State Bar of Arizona Board of Governors as an elected representative.

Mr. McWhirter continues his private practice in criminal defense and testifies and provides expert advice on Immigration Consequences of Criminal Conviction and citizenship issues. He also continues his legal

scholarship work and is writing a history of the Civil War Amendments,
FIXING THE FRAMER'S FAILURE (working title).

Todd L. Melnik earned a B.S. in Psychology in 1984 from Ohio State University, and his Juris Doctorate in 1987 from Willamette University. From 1988-1991, Mr. Melnik worked as a prosecutor for Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office where he prosecuted petty theft to special circumstances murder cases. In 1991, Mr. Melnik opened his own law firm where he specializes in state and federal criminal defense, appellate law, personal injury and mental health law; and high-profile media/complex litigation. Mr. Melnik has also served as an Administrative Law Judge Pro tempore since 1998, and a Traffic Court Judge Pro tempore from 1993-1997. In addition to his law practice, Mr. Melnik serves as a legal analyst for local and national media outlets and made numerous network appearance on Good Morning America, Today Show, Court TV, CNN, MSNBC, to name a few. He was also featured in the NETFLIX Emmy Nominated Documentary Long Shot in 2017

DOUGLAS METCALF was appointed to the Superior Court for Pima County in 2013. He is currently the civil presiding judge. Prior to his appointment, he was a partner in the Tucson office of Lewis and Roca specializing in commercial litigation, employment litigation, and tax controversy work. He was a partner in the Tucson office of Brown and Bain before that. Prior to moving to Tucson in 1996, he served as a federal prosecutor for the United States Department of Justice, Tax Division, in Washington, D.C. He started his legal career as a law clerk for the United States Tax Court in Washington, D.C.

He received his law degree from Drake Law School and his undergraduate degree from the University of Iowa. He also obtained an LLM from Georgetown University Law Center.

Stephen Mouritsen currently serves as an adjunct professor at the J. Reuben Clark Law School at Brigham Young University where he teaches courses on the theory and practice of legal interpretation and law and corpus linguistics. He is also a shareholder at the law firm of Parr Brown Gee & Loveless in Salt Lake City, Utah. His writing has appeared in the *Yale Law Journal*, the *Chicago Law Review*, the *Washington Law Review*, the *Columbia Science and Technology Law Review*, and at the Volokh Conspiracy legal blog. His work has been cited by judges in the United States Courts of Appeals for the Second, Third, Sixth, and Tenth Circuits, as well as the Idaho, Michigan, Montana, and Utah Supreme Courts. His work has also been cited in leading casebooks on legislation and contracts, in the Congressional Research Service's Report on Statutory Interpretation, and in the New York Times. He received his J.D. *magna cum laude* from the J. Reuben Clark Law School at Brigham Young University. He also received an M.A. in Linguistics and a B.A. in English from BYU.

Commissioner Tracy Nadzieja was recently assigned to one of two DUI divisions at Maricopa County Superior Court. Prior to her current assignment, she served three years in the Criminal Department's Initial Appearance Court operating in Maricopa County's intake jail (most of that time assigned to the graveyard shift). She is the only known transgender judicial officer in Arizona and, when appointed in 2018, became only the third openly transgender judicial officer in the country. She has collaborated with other departments of the Maricopa County judicial branch concerning issues relating to the transgender community. She also serves on the LGBTQ Advisory Board for the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office. She broke gender barriers for national men's social fraternities where, as a transgender woman, she served in national and state volunteer positions as an initiated member of the Sigma Pi Fraternity. She recently resigned her Sigma Pi membership to fulfill a lifelong dream of being an initiated member of Kappa Kappa Gamma, one of the largest national women's sororities and currently serves as an alumna volunteer in local, regional and national roles. She has had the opportunity to speak to diverse audiences about challenges encountered by transgender lawyers, gender biases in the legal profession, diversity and inclusion in college fraternities and her experience as a transgender judicial officer. She is originally from the Chicago area and prior to her judicial appointment was involved in efforts to pass Illinois H.B. 1785 that on January 1, 2018 expanded the right to current and former transgender residents to correct their birth certificate gender markers and, two days later, became one of the first to receive a corrected birth certificate under that law changing her sex designation from male to female.

JOHN D. NAPPER was appointed to the Yavapai County Superior Court in 2014. He was originally appointed as a judge pro tempore. He was appointed to Division II of the Superior Court by Governor Ducey in August of 2017. In 2020, he was appointed as the Presiding Judge of Yavapai County. His current caseload is handling civil and probate matters. He also presides over criminal overflow trials.

Prior to taking the bench, Judge Napper was the head of the Yavapai County Public Defenders Office. Prior to that appointment he ran a private practice in Prescott. His practice was mainly criminal defense but included civil litigation. He tried multiple criminal and civil jury trials in both Federal and State Court. His practice included significant Appellate work.

Judge Napper holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from Greensboro College, Greensboro North Carolina. He received his J.D. in 2002 from The John Marshall Law School. He graduated *Cum Laude* and was a member of law review. He attended the Arizona State College of Law as a visiting student during his final year of law school where he was a Willard Pedrick scholar and a winner of the CALI Excellence for the Future Award for Excellent Achievement in the Study of Law, Litigation, and Science.

AARON NASH – Aaron is the Communications Director for the Arizona Supreme Court and Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC). His duties include acting as the spokesperson for the Arizona Judicial Branch, responding to public records requests, drafting speeches, writing articles, overseeing the Court’s website, managing the Court’s social media, and coordinating the branch’s community outreach.

Before working at the AOC, Aaron worked for 16 years for the Clerk of Superior Court in Maricopa County, ending as Special Counsel and Public Information Officer. There he advised the elected Clerk and senior management on day-to-day operations and served as legislative liaison for the Arizona Association of Superior Court Clerks.

Aaron is a Certified Court Executive through Arizona’s Court Leadership Institute and the National Center for State Court’s Institute for Court Management and is nationally certified to teach NCSC’s Public Relations course. His other presentations include courts and court jurisdiction, e-filing, access to public records, public education and media, and legal advice v. information. Aaron chaired the Arizona Supreme Court’s Task Force on Countering Disinformation and has participated in committees restyling Arizona’s rules of Civil, Criminal, Family, and Probate procedure; developing a statewide rule for sealing and unsealing records; and developing statewide guidelines for legal advice v. information. He has worked in state courts for over 25 years, including in private practice.

Patricia K. Norris served as a judge on the Arizona Court of Appeals (Division One) from late 2003 until her retirement in June 2017. As a judge on the court, Judge Norris authored over 1000 decisions in civil, criminal, and administrative appeals.

Before joining the court, Judge Norris was a partner at Lewis and Roca, Phoenix. During her 25 years with the firm, Judge Norris's practice centered on civil, business, and commercial litigation and appeals.

Judge Norris received her undergraduate degree from Arizona State University (1974) and J.D. degree, *magna cum laude* (1977), from Arizona State University College of Law. She clerked for Judge Mary M. Schroeder of the Arizona Court of Appeals from 1977 – 1978.

Among her professional activities, Judge Norris is teaching as an adjunct professor at the Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law, Arizona State University, and is serving as an attorney member of the Attorney Disciplinary Panel. She has published articles on civil litigation and is the co-editor and a contributing author of the *Arizona Attorneys' Fees Manual* (6th ed. 2017) published by the State Bar of Arizona. She is also a frequent lecturer at State Bar and judicial continuing legal education programs. Judge Norris is active in the State Bar of Arizona, and, most recently, served as Chair of the State Bar's Senior Lawyer Task Force.

An active participant in community organizations, Judge Norris is Chair of the Board of Directors of Arizona Town Hall, and participates in Town Hall programs throughout the state. Judge Norris has been honored by the Arizona Women Lawyers Association and the Maricopa County Bar Association for her contributions to the legal profession and the judiciary. In 2016, the Arizona Association for Justice presented Judge Norris with the Judicial Integrity Award, and in June 2017, the State Bar of Arizona awarded Judge Norris the James A. Walsh Outstanding Jurist Award. In 2018, the Arizona State University College of Law selected her as its Outstanding Alumna, and in 2019, the State Bar selected Judge Norris as its Member of the Year.

Honorable Jay M. Polk

Jay M. Polk is the Presiding Judge of the Probate and Mental Health Department of the Superior Court of Arizona for Maricopa County. He served as the Associate Presiding Judge of that department from April 10, 2017, through June 26, 2020. From November 21, 2011, to April 7, 2017, Judge Polk was assigned to the Family Court Department and served as the Associate Presiding Judge of Family Court Department for the Northeast Regional Court Center for approximately two of those years.

For nearly 20 years prior to his appointment to the bench, Judge Polk limited his practice of law to contested and uncontested matters relating to guardianships, conservatorships, decedents' estates, the abuse or exploitation of vulnerable adults, and estate planning for modest estates. In addition, he served as a mediator and arbitrator, as a guardian ad litem for minor children and incapacitated adults, and as judge pro tempore. Between 1999 and 2011, Judge Polk was an Arizona Licensed Fiduciary and, as such, served as a personal representative or special administrator for several estates, as well as the special conservator for an attorney.

Judge Polk is a frequent speaker on probate and family law matters. He is an editor of the forthcoming edition of the *Arizona Probate Code Practice Manual*, was a co-managing editor of the 2014 edition of that publication, an associate editor of the 2000 edition of that publication, and has been a regular contributor to the Judicial College of Arizona's *Probate Benchbook*. Throughout his career, Judge Polk has been involved in drafting legislation to improve Arizona's probate laws. In addition, Judge Polk served on the Arizona Supreme Court's Probate Rules Committee, which drafted the first set of statewide probate rules of procedure, and the Arizona Supreme Court's Committee on Improving Judicial Oversight and Processing of Probate Court Matters, which proposed significant reforms to Arizona's probate laws and rules. From December 2017 until December 2019, Judge Polk served on the Task Force on the Arizona Rules of Probate Procedure and chaired Workgroup 1 of that Task Force. He continues to serve on the Task Force's Editorial Workgroup, which is updating statewide mandatory probate forms. From September 2018 until December 2019, Judge Polk was a member of the Steering Committee on Arizona Case Processing Standards and chaired the Probate Time Standards subcommittee. Between 2014 and 2015, Judge Polk assisted in creating the Superior Court of Arizona for Maricopa County's intelligent probate forms.

Since 2011, Judge Polk has been a member of the Fiduciary Board, which regulates Arizona professional fiduciaries. He has been a member of the Executive Board of the Arizona Judges Association since June 2014, and served as Secretary from July 2016 through June 2017, Vice President from July 2017 through June 2018, and President from July 2018 to June 2019. He has been a member of the Arizona Public Safety Personnel Retirement System ("PSPRS") Advisory Committee since November 2016. Since May 2017, Judge Polk has served as the Judicial Liaison to the Estate Planning, Probate, and Trust Law Section of the Maricopa County Bar Association, and since September 2018, he has served as the Judicial Liaison to the Elder Law, Mental Health, and Special Needs Planning Section of the State Bar of Arizona. Since June 2019, he also has been the Judicial Liaison to the Probate and Trust Law Section of the State Bar of Arizona. In addition, Judge Polk served as President of The Council For Jews With Special Needs from 2004 to 2006 and was a member of that organization's Board of Directors from 1998 through 2007.

A graduate of the University of Chicago (A.B. 1989, Political Science) and Arizona State University (J.D. 1992), Judge Polk has been the recipient of numerous professional awards, including the State Bar of Arizona Probate and Trust Law Section's 2008 Eleanor ter Horst Distinguished Service Award, the Arizona Fiduciaries Association's 2009 Leadership Award, the Arizona Chapter of the National Academy of Elder Attorneys' 2011 Craig C. Gordon Outstanding Arizona Chapter Member Award, and the Maricopa County Bar Association Family Law Section's 2017 Bridging the Gap Award.

HON. GARY L. POPHAM, JR. is a Commissioner with the Arizona Superior Court, Maricopa County.

Gary was appointed to the bench in December 2019 and is currently a Commissioner in the Civil Department. He obtained his Bachelor of Arts from the University of Arizona in 1997 and his Juris Doctor from Syracuse University, College of Law in 2000.

Between 2000 and 2019, Gary practiced law, beginning in New Jersey and then in Arizona, in the area of civil litigation with a focus in professional liability, governmental entity liability and police liability. In addition, he is an active father of five (four of which are now adults), a youth football coach, an amateur half-marathon runner and an avid reader.

On Gary's current assignment, he regularly addresses eviction actions, residential and commercial.

When Gary's not working, Gary enjoys running, collecting rare books and watching his children engaged in sporting activities.

Faculty Biography

Suzanne Porter

Suzanne Porter joined the Certification and Licensing Division of the Arizona Supreme Court in late 2020 to develop and manage the new Alternative Business Structures and Legal Paraprofessional programs. Suzanne began her legal career in 1998 as a patent litigation attorney in New York and later in Toronto, Canada. After several years in private practice, Suzanne began teaching at the University of Toronto Faculty of Law and Ryerson University, and served as Director of Professional Graduate Programs at Osgoode Hall Law School. She later joined LexisNexis as Director of Content, to oversee the launch and development of Lexis Practical Guidance tools and products. At the Supreme Court, Suzanne works with the Administrative Office of the Courts to implement innovative legal service programs including acting as Staff representative to the Board of Nonlawyer Legal Service Providers and the Committee on Alternative Business Structures.

MAURICE PORTLEY

Judge Maurice Portley (Ret.) is a Senior Director of the Casey Family Programs' Judicial Engagement Team. He retired from the bench in August 2016 after twenty five years of service; the first twelve on the Maricopa County Superior Court, including a term as the Presiding Judge of the Juvenile Court, and thirteen on the Arizona Court of Appeals.

Judge Portley is a graduate of Arizona State University, and University of Michigan Law School, where he was an Articles Editor of the *Journal of Law Reform* and participated in the Child Advocacy Clinic. He is a former board member of the National Council of Juvenile & Family Court Judges, and is currently the Editor of its *Journal of Juvenile and Family Court Judges*. He also served an Army JAG, was a partner in the Phoenix firm of Jennings, Strouss & Salmon, and was the first military judge of the Arizona National Guard.

Judge Portley participates in various community events. If you really want to know about the Great Arizona Puppet Theater, the dates for the Phoenix College Community Orchestra concerts, or his two grand-dogs, Leonidas and Charlie, just ask.

Honorable Kathleen A. Quigley

Kathleen A. Quigley graduated from University of Arizona Law School in 1986. Ms. Quigley joined the Pima County Attorney's Office in 1987, where she worked as a prosecutor and trial attorney. In September of 2003, she was appointed to the Pima County Juvenile Court Bench as a Hearing Officer/Judge Pro Tem. In April of 2009, she was appointed as a Pima County Juvenile Court Commissioner. In October of 2012, she was appointed by Governor Brewer to the Pima County Superior Court Bench. She served as the Presiding Judge of Pima County Juvenile Court from 2014-2020. She has been the Associate Presiding Judge of the Juvenile Court since July 2020 – present. She has volunteered to serve on many community, professional, and court related committees since 1987. She has been a proud member of NCJFCJ since 2010 and has served on the Board of Directors since July of 2018 and currently serves on the Governance, Membership, and Curriculum Committees.

Jeffrey Rachlinski is the Henry Allen Mark Professor of Law at Cornell Law School. He holds a B.A. and an M.A. in psychology from the Johns Hopkins University, a J.D. from Stanford Law School, and a Ph.D. in Psychology from Stanford. In 1994, Rachlinski joined the faculty at Cornell Law School. He has also served as visiting professor at the University of Chicago, the University of Virginia, the University of Pennsylvania, Yale, and Harvard. Rachlinski's research interests primarily involve the application of cognitive and social psychology to law with special attention to judicial decision making. He has presented his research on judicial decision making to audiences in attendance at over 100 judicial education conferences, which have included over 5,000 judges in a dozen states and three countries.

Marcus W. Reinkensmeyer

Marcus W. Reinkensmeyer is the Director of Court Services for the Administrative Office of the Courts, Supreme Court of Arizona, in Phoenix, Arizona. Previously, he served as Judicial Branch Administrator, Superior Court Administrator, Chief Deputy Court Administrator and Director of Judicial Information Systems for the Superior Court of Arizona in Maricopa County, a jurisdiction of 4 million residents. In the State of Illinois, Marcus served as Assistant Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts (Court Service Division), Court Administrator (17th Judicial Circuit), Assistant Superintendent of Juvenile Detention and Probation Officer.

Marcus is a board member for the North American Board of the International Association for Court Administration. He is Past President of the National Association for Court Management and the Arizona Courts Association, former Editor of the Court Manager, and a past member of the Advisory Board for the Institute for the Advancement of the American Legal System. His articles have been published in Judicature, The Judges Journal, Justice System Journal, The Court Manager, Future Trends in State Courts, the ABA's JD Record, Retrospective of Courthouse Design, Handbook of Court Administration and Management and The Improvement of the Administration of Justice.

Marcus holds a bachelor's degree from Michigan State University and a master's degree in public administration from Northern Illinois University. He is the recipient of the National Center for State Courts' Warren E. Burger Award, the Judicial Management Institute's Ernest C. Friesen Award, ICM's Award of Merit and Star Award and the Arizona Supreme Court's Distinguished Service Award.

HONORABLE MICHELLE M. RICK

The Honorable Michelle Rick was elected to the Michigan Court of Appeals bench in November 2020, and began serving her term in January 2021. Judge Rick represents the 4th Judicial District. Judge Rick served as a trial judge for the 29th Circuit Court from 2007- 2020. Before that, Judge Rick worked briefly as a private practitioner before transitioning to a career in public service. That service included working as an assistant prosecutor, a senior assistant attorney general for the State of Michigan, and deputy legal counsel to Michigan's Governor Jennifer M. Granholm.

Judge Rick is a graduate of Michigan State University and the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law. She is a member of the UDM Law Justice Frank Murphy Honor Society. Judge Rick is a District Director for the National Association of Women Judges. She is an Officer of the Michigan Judges Association and a member of the State Bar of Michigan Judicial Council. Judge Rick is a member of the Michigan Bar Association Limited Scope Representation work group, and she serves as an advisor to the State Bar Affordable Legal Services committee. Judge Rick is also a committee member of the State Bar Corrections and Prisons section.

In 2015, the Women Lawyers Association of Mid-Michigan awarded Judge Rick the Carolyn A. Stell Award. January 2019, the Michigan Supreme Court recognized Judge Rick as a judge who gives back and makes a difference. https://courts.michigan.gov/News-Events/press_releases/Documents/News%20release%20for%20Judges%20Giving%20Back_FIN_AL.pdf In 2020, the State Bar of Michigan awarded Judge Rick and select University of Detroit Mercy School of Law faculty and students the Kimberly M. Cahill Bar Leadership Award. The award was given for creating and executing "Project Access" a traveling expungement clinic that brought expungement relief to 6 rural communities in Michigan's northern Lower Peninsula.

Judge Rick teaches Access to Justice at Detroit Mercy Law School. She is a frequent guest speaker and lecturer at various statewide and local law-related events. Judge Rick is a Michigan State Bar Foundation Fellow and an American Bar Foundation Fellow. Judge Rick is married to her college sweetheart, Matthew, and they have 4 children.

David B. Rosenbaum

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David's practice focuses on complex commercial litigation in the state and federal courts. David has represented public companies and their officers and directors in numerous securities fraud class actions, represented Fortune 50 companies in a wide range of complex commercial litigation matters, including matters involving intellectual property disputes, represented a major telecommunications company in an array of commercial litigation matters, represented companies in sales and use tax disputes, and represented national and local companies in employment controversies, including class-action discrimination lawsuits. As past President of the Federal Bar Association and Lawyer Representative to the Ninth Circuit Judicial Conference, David has developed knowledge and experience in the finer points of prosecuting complex litigation in the federal courts.

"David is, in the words of one client, *'an outstanding, smart, analytical and responsive lawyer. One of the best that I have ever hired.'*" - Chambers USA 2017

Education

- J.D., *magna cum laude*, Georgetown University, 1983; *Georgetown Law Review*, Associate Editor, 1982-1983
- B.A., *cum laude*, History and Environmental Studies, University of Pennsylvania, 1979

Bar Admissions

- Arizona, 1984
- District of Columbia, 1985

Court Admissions

- U.S. Supreme Court,
- U.S. Tax Court,
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit,
- U.S. District Court, District of Arizona,
- Arizona Supreme Court,
- U.S. Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit,

Clerkships

- U.S. District Court of Delaware, Judge Murray M. Schwartz, 1983 - 1984

Practice Areas

- Alternative Dispute Resolution and Mediation
- Commercial Litigation
- Employment Law
- Ethics and Professional Liability
- False Claims Act Defense
- Indian Law
- Intellectual Property and Technology
- Intellectual Property Litigation
- Privacy & Data Security
- Securities Defense
- State and Local Administrative Law



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Representative Matters

- *Arizona v. Inter Tribal Council of Arizona, Inc.*, 133 S. Ct. 2247 (2013)
(holding that federal law preempted Arizona's law requiring proof of citizenship for voter registration)
- *Kobach v. U.S. Election Assistance Commission*, 772 F.3d 1183 (10th Cir. 2014)
(holding that Federal Elections Assistance Commission was not mandated to grant Arizona's and other state requests to modify voter registration form)
- *Oregon Public Employees Retirement Fund v. Apollo Group Inc.*, (9th Cir., Dec. 12, 2014)
- *Matrixx Initiatives, Inc. v. Siracusano*, 563 U.S. ____ (2011)
- *Lory v. Ryan*, 2008 WL 4630306 (D. Ariz. 2008)
- *Rollin v. Frankel*, 196 Ariz. 350, 996 P.2d 1254 (App. 2000)
- *Dillard v. Schlusser*, 2011 WL 1854978 (Ariz. App. 2011)
- *In re Apollo Grp. Inc. Sec. Litig.* (D. Ariz. 2011)
- *Allen v. Honeywell Retirement Earnings Plan*, 698 F. Supp. 2d 1197 (D. Ariz. 2010)
- *Weiss v. Amkor Technology, Inc.*, 527 F. Supp. 2d 938 (D. Ariz. 2007)
- *Cable Arizona Corp. v. CoxCom, Inc.*, 261 F.3d 871 (9th Cir. 2001)
- *AlliedSignal, Inc., v. City of Phoenix*, 182 F.3d 692 (9th Cir. 1999)
(commercial tort)
- *Crawford v. American Institute of Professional Careers, Inc.*, 934 F. Supp. 335 (D. Ariz. 1996)
- *Aetna Cas. & Sur. Co. v. Dini*, 169 Ariz. 555, 821 P.2d 216 (Ariz. App. 1991)

- *Gonzalez v. Arizona*, 649 F.3d 953 (9th Cir. 2011)
- *Capricorn Pharma, Inc. v. Matrixx Initiatives, Inc.* 2009 WL 2567022 (D. Del., 2009)
- *Honeywell Intern., Inc. v. RTF Intern., Inc.*, 209 P. 3d 764 (Kan. App. 2009)
- *Doe v. Arizona Hosp. and Healthcare Ass'n*, 2009 WL 1423378 (D. Ariz. 2009)
- *Lory v. Ryan*, 2008 WL 4630306 (D. Ariz. 2008)
- *Premier Jets, Inc. v. Honeywell Intern., Inc.*, 2008 WL 1840753 (D. Or. 2008)
- *Levine v. SkyMall, Inc.*, F. Supp. 2d, 2002 WL 31056919 (D. Ariz. 2002)

Awards & Recognition

- Chambers USA, *America's Leading Lawyers for Business*, Litigation: General Commercial, 2005-2020
- *Best Lawyers®*, Lawyer of the Year, Intellectual Property Litigation, 2020
- *Top 100 Lawyers in Arizona - AZ Business Magazine*, 2020, 2021
- *Phoenix Best Lawyers®*, Litigation-Securities Lawyer of the Year, 2014, 2021
- *Phoenix Best Lawyers*, Bet-the-Company Litigation Lawyer of the Year, 2011, 2016
- Lawdragon's "100 Lawyers You Need to Know in Securities Litigation," 2008
- Arizona "Local Litigation Star," *Benchmark Litigation*, 2010-2021
- *Southwest Super Lawyers*, Top 50 Arizona Attorneys, 2010, 2012, 2014-2021
- *Southwest Super Lawyers*, Business Litigation, Securities Litigation, 2007-2021
- *Best Lawyers®*, Bet-the-Company Litigation, Construction Litigation, Commercial Litigation, Intellectual Property Litigation, Mergers & Acquisitions Litigation, Securities Litigation, 2005-2021
- Judicial Branch Distinguished Service Award, awarded by Arizona Supreme Court Chief Justice Rebecca Berch for outstanding service and contribution to the Arizona Judicial Branch, 2011
- *BTI Client Service All-Star Team*, 2011
- *Arizona's Finest Lawyers*
- Judge Learned Hand Award for Community Service, Arizona Chapter of American Jewish Committee, March, 2006
- President's Award, State Bar of Arizona, June 2006

- Top 50 Pro Bono Attorneys, 2001

Professional Activities

- Arizona Foundation for Legal Services & Education, Board of Directors, 2020-2022
- Appointed Member, Arizona State Bar Board of Governors, 2019 - 2020
- Chair, Arizona Supreme Court's Commercial Court Review Committee, 2018
- Chair, Arizona Supreme Court Business Court Advisory Committee, 2014
- Co-chair, Arizona Supreme Court Task Force on the Arizona Rules of Civil Procedure, 2014-2015
- Judicial College of Arizona, Member, 2010-
- Completed mediation training program at the Strauss Institute for Dispute Resolution, Pepperdine University School of Law, 2014
- Foundation of the Federal Bar Association, Past-President and Charter Fellow
- Federal Bar Association, Phoenix Chapter, President, 2000-2001
- Ninth Circuit Judicial Conference, Lawyer Representative, 2002-2004
- Adjunct Professor, Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law, Arizona State University
- Arizona Supreme Court Task Force for Development of Arizona Law Course, Chair, 2009
- Committee on Civil Rules of Procedure for Limited Jurisdiction Courts, Member, 2011
- William E. Morris Institute for Justice, President, 2001-2003
- American Bar Foundation, Fellow
- Chair, Fellows of the Foundation of the Federal Bar Association, 2009-2011
- Community Legal Services, President, Board of Directors, 1994-1995
- Arizona State Bar Legal Services Committee, Chair, 2002-2003
- Arizona State Bar Landlord Tenant Task Force, Co-Chair, 2006-2009
- Arizona State Bar Task Force on Multijurisdictional Practice, Member, 2003
- Arizona State Bar Task Force on Access to Justice, Member, 2003-2005
- Arizona State Bar Fee Arbitration Committee, Member, 2002-present
- Maricopa County Bar Association Member
- Arizona Women Lawyers Association Member
- Volunteer Lawyers Program, Advisory Panel, 1990-1994

Community Activities

- President, Beth-El Congregation, 2004-2006

Publications

- Presentation: "A Dialogue with Chief Justices on Key Issues," Directors' Roundtable, July 29, 2011 (Transcript)
- Author: *The Constitutional Rights of Excluded Aliens*, 70 Geo. L.J. 1303 (1982)

The Honorable Ana Maribtet Sanchez has served as a City of Phoenix Judge since October of 2018. Prior to being appointed to the bench, Ms. Sanchez served as a Public Defender for The City of Phoenix and The City of Scottsdale, while also maintaining a private law practice since 2007. Born in Panama City, Panama, Ana immigrated to the United States as a young girl and grew up in Sierra Vista, Arizona. Ana has a Bachelor's of Arts Degree in Spanish Literature, a Juris Doctorate Degree, and Master of Laws Degree (L.L.M.), all from Arizona State University. Ms. Sanchez Externed for the Honorable Judge Susan R. Bolton in the Federal District Court of Arizona while in law school and served as a Judge Pro Tempore for the Maricopa County Superior Court from 2012 to 2019. Ana's primary focus while in private practice was criminal law where she represented defendants accused of misdemeanor and felony offenses including murder, 2nd Degree murder and manslaughter.

Suzanne Spaulding

Suzanne Spaulding's extensive career and experience includes current roles as a senior adviser for the Center for Strategic and International Studies and a member of the Cyberspace Solarium Commission. She served as undersecretary for the Department of Homeland Security, with the mission of strengthening the security and resilience of the nation's critical infrastructure against cyber and physical threats. Throughout her career, Ms. Spaulding has advised CEOs, boards, and government policymakers on how to manage complex security risks across all industry sectors. She led the efforts to secure election infrastructure, the electric grid, financial services, and other key sectors, chaired the federal government's Aviation Cybersecurity Initiative to identify and address key cyber vulnerabilities in the national aviation system, and worked with many foreign governments on critical infrastructure and cybersecurity, including negotiating agreements with China and Israel. As a member of the board of directors for the First Responder Network Authority, Ms. Spaulding helped oversee the complex and unprecedented effort to deploy the first nation-wide broadband network for public safety.

Ms. Spaulding serves on multiple boards, foundations, and university projects, is a member of the Homeland Security Experts Group, and is on the faculty of the National Association of Corporate Directors. Ms. Spaulding has served in Republican and Democratic administrations and on both sides of the aisle in Congress. She was general counsel for the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence and minority staff director for the House of Representatives Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence. She also spent six years at the Central Intelligence Agency, where she was assistant general counsel and legal adviser to the director's Nonproliferation Center. She was a member of the CSIS Commission on Cybersecurity for the 44th Presidency, which developed a bipartisan national cybersecurity strategy in advance of the 2008 election; executive director of the National Commission on Terrorism and the Commission to Assess the Organization of the Federal Government to Combat the Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction; and a consultant on the Advisory Panel to Assess Domestic Response Capabilities for Terrorism Involving Weapons of Mass Destruction and the Commission on the Intelligence Capabilities of the United States Regarding Weapons of Mass Destruction. She is former chair of the American Bar Association's Standing Committee on Law and National Security, founder of the Cybersecurity Legal Task Force, and was a member of Harvard University's Long-Term Legal Strategy Project for Preserving Security and Democratic Freedoms in the War on Terror.

Judge Christopher Staring graduated from the University of California at Davis in 1983, with a B.A. He received his law degree from Tulane University Law School in 1986.

Judge Staring practiced from 1986 to 2010 with the law firm of Fennemore Craig, P.C. In 2010, he was appointed to the Pima County Superior Court, where he served in civil, juvenile and probate bench assignments. In 2015, he was appointed to the Arizona Court of Appeals, Division Two, where he now serves as Vice Chief Judge.

Judge Staring has served on the Arizona Commission on Judicial Conduct since 2019, and is currently Vice Chair. He served on the Arizona Commission on Judicial Performance Review, 2012-2019. Judge Staring also served on the Arizona Supreme Court Committee on Mental Health and the Justice System, and serves on the Arizona Supreme Court Committee on Juvenile Courts.

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Don Taylor III

Don Taylor is the Chief Presiding Judge of the Phoenix Municipal Court. Prior to his appointment, he served for four years as the Executive Court Administrator of the Phoenix Municipal Court. Before entering the field of court administration, he practiced law as a prosecutor in Arizona and a legal officer at the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia in The Hague. Taylor has a J.D. from the University of Arizona (1995) and an LL.M. from Leiden University in The Netherlands (2006). He has published several works on the procedural law of the international criminal tribunals and the International Criminal Court and has taught at the law faculties of Washington University in St. Louis and VU University Amsterdam.

Judge Timothy J. Thomason

Judge Timothy J. Thomason is a Maricopa County Superior Court Judge. Judge Thomason is currently serving on the commercial court bench. Prior to his appointment to the bench in 2014 he was a trial lawyer for over thirty years at Streich Lang (now Quarles and Brady) and Mariscal Weeks (now Dickinson Wright). Judge Thomason is a fellow in the prestigious American College of Trial Lawyers. Judge Thomason was regularly included in Southwest Super Lawyer's list of the top fifty lawyers in the State. He was the 2013 Best Lawyers in America Real Estate Litigation Lawyer of the Year. Among his many publications is the Arizona Trial Practice Manual.

SAMUEL ANDERSON THUMMA, Judge (2012-present); Chief Judge (2017-2019) and Vice Chief Judge (2015-2017), Arizona Court of Appeals, Division One. Judge, Arizona Superior Court (2007-2012) (Criminal and Juvenile rotations). Nationally, Sam is a Uniform Law Commissioner, where he chairs and has served on various Study, Drafting and other Committees. He currently chairs the ULC's Study Committee on Updating the Uniform Determination of Death Act. He is an Advisor to the American Law Institute's RESTATEMENT OF THE LAW (THIRD) OF TORTS: REMEDIES and an officer of the American Bar Association's Judicial Division Appellate Judges Conference. He serves on the Joint Technology Committee, appointed by the National Center for State Courts. In Arizona, Sam has chaired various Committees, Commissions and Task Forces for the Arizona Supreme Court and the State Bar of Arizona. Currently, he is co-chair of the COVID-19 Continuity of Court Operations During Public Health Emergency Workgroup (the Plan B Workgroup) and co-editor of the ARIZONA APPELLATE HANDBOOK. Sam has presented at more than 375 seminars and published 13 law review articles and more than 50 other law-related articles. Previously, Sam was a partner at Perkins Coie Brown & Bain, P.A., in Phoenix, and an associate at Arnold & Porter in Washington, D.C. He served as a law clerk for Arizona Supreme Court Chief Justice Stanley G. Feldman and Judge David R. Hansen, United States District Court for the Northern District of Iowa. Sam received a Master of Laws from Duke University School of Law in 2020; graduated Order of the Coif from the University of Iowa College of Law in 1988, where he was a Note & Comment Editor on the IOWA LAW REVIEW, and graduated from Iowa State University in 1984, where he was a Harry S. Truman Memorial Scholar.

Vice Chief Justice Ann A. Scott Timmer was appointed to the Arizona Supreme Court in 2012 by Governor Janice K. Brewer. Prior to her appointment to the Arizona Supreme Court, Justice Timmer was a judge on the Arizona Court of Appeals from 2000 to 2012, serving three years as Chief Judge. Notably, she chaired the Court's Legal Services Task Force, which recently recommended removing barriers for lawyers and non-lawyers to share fees. She currently chairs the Court's Attorney Regulation Advisory Committee, is a member of the National Conference of Bar Examiners Board of Trustees and has been elected as a member of The American Law Institute. Recently, she was appointed to serve on the Board of Trustees of the Appellate Judges Education Institute. Justice Timmer earned a Bachelor degree from the University of Arizona, a J.D. magna cum laude, from Arizona State University, and a Masters in Judicial Studies from Duke University Law School.

Honorable Steven A. Todd – Presiding Municipal Court Judge- Scappoose, Oregon

Judge Todd served as a pro tem Circuit Court Judge (full time) in Portland, Oregon for 22 years. He heard criminal matters (including DUII), community court, landlord/tenant, small claims, stalking and other matters, but traffic has always been his passion.

After retiring from the circuit court 2019, he became active in municipal courts. He recently was appointed as Presiding Judge of the Scappoose Municipal Court. He also serves as a pro tem judge for the Beaverton Municipal Court. In both courts, he hears criminal and traffic matters.

Judge Todd is very interested in traffic safety classes and driver education. For many years, he helped the “Trauma Nurses Talk Tough” program at Legacy Emanuel Hospital by teaching a class for young drivers and their parents before they get their license (or their first ticket or crash).

A native Oregonian, Judge Todd received a B.A. in Music from Northwestern University in 1978 and a J.D. from Lewis and Clark Law School in 1981. Judge Todd lives in SW Portland with his wife, a piano teacher, and his son, a film composer. For excitement on weekends, he drives 25 mph through school zones and plays trombone with local jazz groups.

Michael Umpierre is the Director of the Center for Juvenile Justice Reform, where he is responsible for overseeing all of CJJR's programs, initiatives, research, and operations. Prior to becoming Director in 2020, Michael served as CJJR's Deputy Director of Juvenile Justice System Improvement and Communications, where he managed the Youth in Custody Practice Model initiative, served as a trainer and provider of technical assistance for the Juvenile Justice System Improvement Project, Crossover Youth Practice Model and Multi-System Collaboration Training and Technical Assistance Program, and served in other leadership capacities, including with the Juvenile Justice Leadership Network and Public Information Officers Learning Collaborative.

Michael has dedicated his career to improving the lives of youth, particularly those who are underprivileged, vulnerable, and most in need. He has a wealth of experience as a juvenile justice administrator, national trainer and consultant, public defender and youth advocate. His previous experience includes serving as the Chief of Staff of the District of Columbia's cabinet-level juvenile justice agency, the Department of Youth Rehabilitation Services, Program Coordinator of the National Center for Youth in Custody, and trial attorney at the Public Defender Service for the District of Columbia. He has also worked at several youth advocacy organizations including the Youth Law Center, National Center for Youth Law, Legal Services for Children, and Pacific Juvenile Defender Center.

Michael received a B.A. in Public Policy from Stanford University and a J.D. from Yale Law School, and is a recipient of the prestigious John Gardner Public Service Fellowship and Paul and Daisy Soros Fellowship for New Americans. Michael and his wife Rachael are the proud parents of their son Alexander and daughter Josephine.

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Dr. Chris Wilson, Psy.D.

Dr. Chris Wilson is a licensed psychologist from Portland, Oregon. For the past twenty years he's worked with victims, survivors, and perpetrators of trauma. He is currently the Director of Being Trauma Informed (BTI), an organization dedicated to making the science of trauma accessible and practical. Prior to starting BTI, Dr. Wilson had a private practice conducting evaluations and psychotherapy, while also providing training with a focus on domestic violence and sexual assault. For seven years he worked in the Oregon Department of Corrections and for ten years ran groups for abusive men.

Dr. Wilson is a guest faculty member at the US Army's Special Victim Capabilities Course, where he teaches military criminal investigators about the neurobiology of trauma. He formerly served as a curriculum consultant for The National Center for Campus Public Safety. He is also the co-author of the article "Understanding the Neurobiology of Trauma and Implications for Interviewing" (an abbreviated version of which was provided for Danish law enforcement in 2017) and "Judges' and Juries' Common Misperceptions About Domestic Violence Victims' Behaviors."

He's provided training, plenary, keynote, and breakout sessions for conferences and organizations across the United States, Canada, and Europe, including the Federal Bureau of Investigation, US Department of Justice, the US Department of the Interior, the US Navy, Marine Corps, Army, and Air Force, National District Attorney's Association, and the US Office for Victims of Crime. His audiences include judges, law enforcement officers, advocates, attorneys, and clinicians.

Dr. Wilson received his doctoral degree in clinical psychology from Pacific University in 2002. He was licensed as a psychologist in the state of Oregon in 2005 and for six years served on the Board of the Oregon Psychological Association. He is also a member of the American Psychological Association.

Mark Wilson -Bio

Mark D. Wilson
Director, Certification and Licensing Division
Administrative Office of the Courts

Mark has served as the Director of the Certification and Licensing Division under the Administrative Office of the Courts since 2012. The Division is responsible for the licensure and certification of Supreme Court-regulated programs, including licensed fiduciaries.

Prior to his tenure with AOC, Mark was in private practice and later served with the Arizona Attorney General's Office, in both management and leadership roles, as an Assistant Attorney General. During his time at the Attorney General's Office, he represented various state agencies, the Superior Courts and the Administrative Office of the Courts in both civil and administrative matters.

Chris Wu joined NCSC as a Principal Court Management Consultant in 2019. He brings 34 years of experience in family and children's law to the court consulting and government relations teams. Prior to joining NCSC, Chris was Senior Director, Judicial Engagement, at Casey Family Programs, the nation's largest foundation working to reduce the need for foster care. At Casey, Chris consulted with local courts and their partners on improving the handling of child abuse and neglect cases as well as analyzed national policy and legal issues.

Previously, Chris co-founded and served as Supervising Attorney in the California Judicial Council's Center for Families, Children & the Courts (CFCC). During his CFCC tenure, Chris managed a wide variety of projects in family and juvenile law, including:

- Serving as the state Court Improvement Program (CIP) Director;
- Coordinating the annual Beyond the Bench Conference, bringing together over 1000 judges, attorneys, social workers, probation staff, CASAs, mental health professionals and others for educational and planning sessions on juvenile dependency and delinquency law;
- Serving as Executive Director of the California Blue Ribbon Commission on Children in Foster Care by appointment of the Chief Justice;
- Staffing the Judicial Council Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee. Duties included drafting and coordinating public comment and reporting to the Council on numerous proposals for new rules of court in the areas of family law, juvenile dependency and delinquency, and domestic violence; and
- Representing the judicial branch in statewide collaborations on juvenile and family law issues.

Prior to joining the Judicial Council, Chris was Executive Director and Managing Attorney at Legal Services for Children, a nonprofit multidisciplinary law office providing direct legal and social services to children and youth in San Francisco.

Chris has long served the broader professional community as a Director and Officer of the National Center for Youth Law and Legal Services for Children. He is also a member of the Emeritus Board and Past President of the National Association of Counsel for Children and former President of the Northern California Association of Counsel for Children.

Chris has made numerous presentations on juvenile law topics at state and national conferences and at local events. He is a contributing author to *California Juvenile Dependency Practice* (Continuing Education of the Bar). National publications include articles in the *Family Law Review* and *Fordham Law Review*.

Chris is a graduate of the University of Michigan Law School where his interest in children's law began in the law school's Child Advocacy Law Clinic.

Judge Anna Young has been the Presiding Juvenile Judge of the Superior Court in Yavapai County, Arizona, since January 2013. She presides over juvenile delinquency cases in addition to handling all of the dependency cases in Yavapai County. She is a long-time resident of Prescott, Arizona, where she was in private practice for fourteen years before becoming a judge in 2011. She is passionate about child welfare and served on the board of Yavapai Big Brothers Big Sisters for six years where she saw the importance of a collaborative approach to bettering the lives of the children in the community.

Timothy Zaal



BIO

Timothy Zaal is a former racist skinhead and works as a consultant to the Simon Wiesenthal Center Task Force Against Hate Crime (15 yrs), program facilitator of “From the Depths of Hate” (16yrs), and co-facilitator of HATE 2 HOPE program (13 yrs) alongside Matthew Boger, a former victim of violent hate crime.

Some of Mr. Zaal’s past racist/political affiliations include; Los Angeles area Recruiter and Propagandist for the White Aryan Resistance, and Co-founder and former Co-director of the Southern California Chapter of the Hammerskin Nation.

Timothy Zaal has appeared on The Oprah Winfrey Show, **GANGLAND**, 20/20, Time Magazine online, and his life has been portrayed in the book: Freaks and Revelations, and 2014 Oscar nominated documentary short **FACING FEAR**. Mr. Zaal has earned a degree in Alcohol and drug counseling and works primarily for a post secondary academic institution.

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